Scarcity of resources for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

1827. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many State Governments had said during the conference of Education Ministers from all over the country that the scarcity of resources affected the implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and demanded more Central assistance for the SSA and the mid day meal scheme;

(b) whether it is also a fact that many State Governments had demanded continuing with the ongoing pattern of funding even after the Tenth Plan period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) In the conference of State Education Ministers held at New Delhi on 28th October, 2004, a review of Centre-State funding pattern for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan was suggested by the States.

The State Education Ministers also raised the issue of additional requirement of funds for the Mid-Day-meal Scheme.

Centre-State funding patterns are determined by the Planning Commission.

Kendriya Vidyalayas in Uttar Pradesh

†1828. SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that a large number of aspirants are seeking admission in the Kendriya Vidyalayas in the State;

(c) whether Government propose to set up new Kendriya Vidyalayas in the various parts of the State; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.